

AMENDMENTS TO CLAIMS

1-39. (Canceled)

40. (Currently amended) A method of recording on an optical disc recording media, said method comprising the steps of:

transferring stored input information from an input buffer to an encoder;
transferring encoded information from said encoder to a record circuit;
causing [[an]] said input buffer to contain less than a threshold amount of
said input information; and

when said input buffer contains less than the threshold amount of said input
information, pausing said transferring of said encoded information, to stop said record
circuit at a first point on said optical disk recording media while maintaining said
encoded information.

41. (Previously presented) The method of claim 40, further comprising the
steps of causing said input buffer to contain at least a second threshold amount of
information, and resuming said step of transferring said encoded information to said
record circuit, to thereby restart said record circuit while maintaining data succession
across said first point on said optical disc recording media.

42. (Previously presented) The method of claim 41, wherein said threshold
amounts are not equal.

43. (Previously presented) The method of claim 40, wherein said encoded
information is interleave encoded.